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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This is a Response to the Final Office Action mailed May 4, 2005. Claims 1-19 remain pending in this application. Of these claims, claims 1-19 stand rejected under 35 USC §101 because the claimed invention is allegedly directed to non-statutory subject matter for the reasons identified on page 2 of the Final Office Action. Also, claims 1-19 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(e) as being anticipated by Rappaport et al.

In view of the following remarks, these rejections are traversed, and reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Applicant acknowledges that the Examiner has maintained the rejection under §101. Applicant maintains their position that the claimed invention does comply with §101. Particularly, the claimed invention produces a useful, concrete and tangible result because it allows a person to visually analyze the operation of a system that the